

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 8, replace the paragraph beginning on line 11 with the following amended paragraph:

B may be selected from any one of a group comprising: organic linking groups comprising a ~~hydrocarbyl~~ hydrocarbylene, a substituted ~~hydrocarbyl~~ hydrocarbylene, ~~heterohydrocarbyl~~ a heterohydrocarbylene and a substituted ~~heterohydrocarbyl~~ heterohydrocarbylene; inorganic linking groups comprising single atom links; ionic links and a group comprising methylene, dimethylmethylene, ~~4,2-ethane~~ 1,2-ethylene, 1,2-phenylene, ~~4,2-propane~~ 1,2-propylene, ~~4,2-catechol~~ 1,2-catecholate, ~~4,2-dimethylhydrazine~~ -(CH₃)N-N(CH₃)-, -B(R⁵)-, -Si(R⁵)₂-, -P(R⁵)-, and -N(R⁵)₁ where R⁵ is hydrogen, a hydrocarbyl or substituted hydrocarbyl, a substituted heteroatom or a halogen. Preferably, B may be -N(R⁵)- and R⁵ is a hydrocarbyl or a substituted hydrocarbyl group. R⁵ may be hydrogen or may be selected from the groups consisting of alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, aryloxy, substituted aryloxy, halogen, nitro, alkoxycarbonyl, carbonyloxy, alkoxy, aminocarbonyl, carbonylamino, dialkylamino, silyl groups or derivatives thereof, and aryl substituted with any of these substituents. Preferably R⁵ may be an isopropyl, a 1-cyclohexylethyl, a 2-methylcyclohexyl or a 2-octyl group.